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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT SANDY GARD

Hey Quilters,

Once again if you weren't at our October meeting you missed out. We had wonderful discussions and a lot of great show and share. We have several new members that we welcomed into our group. We are growing in number and this is great!!!! Our program was timing by Al Coster and he is the guru of the machine. I have had to address timing my machine a couple of times but luckily it wasn't the issue. Thanks to Al, I really have an understanding of what to look for. And yes, timing is a rare issue. Thank goodness. We are lucky to have Al a phone call away if you need help. He has helped me more than once. Just like in toy story, please get your quilting buddy on speed dial. Kerry Fisbeck and I send pictures back and forth for ideas in quilting. This is a great help when you are stumped as to what to quilt in a design. Please remember our activity, negative space, this will be interesting to see all the different ideas. Modern quilting isn't new and it isn't going away so lets be on our game.

Have a wonderful holiday season and we will see you in January

Piece out,

Sandy

REMINDERS

Next Meeting: Saturday, January 20, 2018

PROGRAMS CHAIRMAN

We do not currently have a program chairman. Please consider this position for the next term. If you can't serve as chairman, at least submit ideas for upcoming programs.

MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

Secretary Diane Cerny



OKMQG - Minutes of October 14, 2017

Meeting called to order by President, Sandy Gard, at 10:12 a.m.

Introduction of 6 new members

Minutes – Brenda Esslinger questioned the minutes of the last meeting. Sandy Gard read the minutes aloud. A correction was made to delete the item about a donation quilt by Brenda Esslinger. This was mistakenly reported. Amended minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report – no report

Committee Reports:

Activities – Brenda Esslinger explained the purpose of an Activity each meeting is to learn and enhance your skills.

Brenda reviewed the prior challenge of ribbon quilting, which had been presented by Marilyn Karper in the prior meeting. Members showed their work.

Brenda issued a new challenge: Negative Space Quilting – quilt in shapes or messages. You can draw with a disappearing pen then fill around the design.

Membership -

Brenda Williams stated current membership is 37 members. It is time to renew your \$15 annual membership.

Janet Hart suggested a discount with Midwest Trophy for permanent nametags. Brenda reported Norman Stamp & Seal makes permanent nametags for approximately \$8.99.

Library – Rita Tornatin will be new library director. Remember new library rules: leave a \$50 check on deposit to check out books. Thanks were given to Linda Eiseman for her service. Newsletter – Michelle Tompkins is taking over as Newsletter Director. Discussion was held as to when newsletter items should be sent to the Director. Suggestion to write articles in the week after a meeting so the newsletter can be sent in time for all members to complete the Activity. Small Groups – no report

Old Business: Joyce Curtis reported on Positive Tomorrows progress. She and Linda Eiseman took 74 quilts in early October. They learned the new school will open in 2019 and will have 140 children. Joyce thanked our group for our participation. She has tops, batting and backings you can take home to quilt. If you are making a quilt on your own, the preferred dimensions are 40" x 67" (approximates) New Business – Colleen Billen volunteered to serve as Treasurer.

Announcements:

Janet Hart of The Quilted Hart announced Jamie Wallen will teach March 8-10. She also asked for feedback on the classroom, and teachers, for next year. She reminded us that guild members receive a 20% discount on our meeting dates.

Recognition – Service Certificates and \$25 Quilted Hart gift certificates were given to members who have served our guild for many years: Nancy Griffin, Lea Alspaugh, and Linda Eiseman.

Door prizes

Show and share

Reminders -

Al's program on Timing will follow a short break.

The next meeting will be held January 20, 2018, 10 a.m., at The Quilted Hart.

Meeting adjourned at 11:06

VICE PRESIDENT: Brenda Esslinger

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Vice President's Report

I didn't get to stay for the program at October's meeting, but I'm sure it was great. Al always does a good job with his programs.

The activity that was presented is Negative Space Quilting. (Michelle, you can pull the photos that I posted on FB.) This can be done in contrasting thread as I did my example or in matching thread for a more subtle effect. It's a great way to add a little extra interest for those who are paying attention to your work.

Our Same But Different project will remain available for display through 2018. If you know of a guild or other group who would like to borrow it they can contact me atblee0115@aol.com.

Brenda Esslinger

Please bring all Library items back to the next meeting. Linda and Rita are trying to get a true inventory. We know there are some items that need to be replaced, but until we see what we have already, we cannot do that.

DON'T FORGET!!!! Next meeting is Jan. 20, at 10:00 a.m. The Quilted Hart, Newcastle, OK.

2017 APQS Lucey with Quilt Path computer system. 12 ft table with Bliss rails. 26" throat. M style bobbin. Purchased new in July, 2017 for \$24K. Will sell for \$18k.